

Connecticut General Assembly  
Energy and Technology Committee

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Testimony of Alison Johnson in Support of HB 5596, An Act Concerning the Right to Dry

To the members of the Energy and Technology Committee,

My name is Alison Johnson, and I live at 108 Camp Street, Middletown, CT. I would like to urge your **support of HB 5596, An Act Concerning the Right to Dry.**

Given the prospect of global climate change, we should conserve every watt of electricity that we can, wherever we can, even if that means hanging laundry outside in neighborhoods that have not had laundry lines in the past. The reluctance of some home owner or condominium associations to allow laundry lines should not be a permanent barrier to receiving the many benefits of using this simple strategy to save electricity. Passage of this bill will mean that:

- consumers will save money on their utility bills
- fossil fuel usage will be reduced
- greenhouse gas emissions will be reduced.

Hanging fresh, clean laundry out of doors can help us keep our air clean as well!

Thank you for your consideration and I urge your support of this legislation which will benefit our state in the short and long term.